

All programs are free (unless otherwise noted) and open to the public after paying the park entrance fee. Our interpretive programs are designed to entertain and enrich folks of all ages. Children under 12, please bring an adult.

Facilities:

Main Park Office

1600 N 25 E
Chesterton, IN 46304
219-926-1952
8:30am-4pm Mon-Fri

State Park Nature Center

219-926-1390
9:30am-4:30pm Wed-Sun
Closed Monday & Tuesday

Swimming Beach Hours

Closed for Season



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Learn more at www.friendsofindiandunes.org.



Camping and shelter reservations can be made at www.camp.in.gov.



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Indiana Dunes State Park

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Thursday, November 3

5:30pm Owl Banding: Behind the Scenes! It's a special opportunity night to explore the owl banding program from behind the scenes. Take part in the entire program, including visiting nets, and extracting owls as part of this unique program. Program limited to 5 participants. Registration is required (\$50 registration fee) by calling the Nature Center at 219.926.1390.

Friday, November 4

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Saturday, November 5

10am Late Fall Color Jaunt. Explore the late fall color this morning and other sights along the way! Meet at the Nature Center for an moderate, 45-minute hike through the sassafras woodlands. BB

2pm Tree ID Trek! Let's explore some simple ways to ID the trees here in the park and in your own backyard. Perfect for those with leaf ID projects this fall. We'll also explore the different colors being produced right now. Meet outside the Nature Center. BB

Saturday, November 6

10am Feed the Birds Join the Naturalist outside the Nature Center for the daily feeding of our birds. We'll then come inside to view the resident chickadees, nuthatches, and more. Great program for the kids.

2pm 100 Years of Indiana State Parks. Visit the Nature Center for this 45-minute PBS film exploring our 100 years of rich history. Special showing today.

Twilight Photo Exhibit

Visit the Nature through November 20 to view the Arts in the Park exhibit *Twilight: The Dunes after Dark*. Local photographer Jesse Meyer has spent 2016 capturing the dunes after dark in this photo art exhibit at the state park nature center. The exhibit is free to view.



Dunes Saw-whet Owl Banding Station!

Burn the midnight oil with us for our eighth season of saw-whet owl banding. Visitors can learn about Indiana's smallest owl in this up close and personal experience. Though special nights are scheduled, banding occurs nearly nightly, Oct 11-Nov 20 if conditions are right. Join the owl banding text and email alert program for nightly status updates. Sign up for alerts at <http://bit.do/owlbanding>

Wednesday, November 9

4pm Owl Banding: Behind the Scenes! It's a special opportunity night to explore the owl banding program from behind the scenes. Take part in the entire program, including visiting nets, and extracting owls as part of this unique program. Program limited to 5 participants. Registration is required (\$50 registration fee) by calling the Nature Center at 219.926.1390.

Thursday, November 10

4pm Owl Banding: Behind the Scenes! It's a special opportunity night to explore the owl banding program from behind the scenes. Take part in the entire program, including visiting nets, and extracting owls as part of this unique program. Program limited to 5 participants. Registration is required (\$50 registration fee) by calling the Nature Center at 219.926.1390.

Saturday November 12

10am A Witch Hunt! Meet at the Nature Center for a 45-minute stroll in search of the last woodland flower of the year... the witch hazel! We'll also explore the other sights and sounds of fall. Join us! GT

2pm Scales and Tales! Explore what our resident turtles and snakes are up to as they prepare for the long winter ahead. Slither into the Nature Center for this 45-minute program! Great program for the kids! GT

Sunday November 13

10am Feed the Birds Join the Naturalist outside the Nature Center for the daily feeding of our birds. We'll then come inside to view the resident chickadees, nuthatches, and more. Great program for the kids. GT

2pm Just a Few Furs! Learn about the variety of dunes critters during this interactive 45-minutes at the Nature Center. We'll have many furs and pelts for you to get the real feel on our winter wildlife. GT



Saturday November 19

Dunes Tellabration!

Guilds and storytelling enthusiasts all around the globe will share their storytelling talents in concerts held in cities and towns to celebrate the art of storytelling. Locally, the Dunes Tellabration brings together each area's most celebrated storytellers, to delight, captivate, and mesmerize audiences with their tales.

10am Storytelling Workshop. Join members of the NWI Storytelling Guild to learn the art of storytelling. Whether you're a beginner or a novice, this class is for you. Registration is required, though the cost is free! Call the Nature Center to sign up at 219-926-1390.

1:30pm-3:30pm Tellabration Time! Join the NWI Storytelling Guild for storytelling this afternoon. The Indiana Dunes State Park is proud to host some of Northwest Indiana's own great storytellers to delight, captivate and mesmerize audiences with their tales. Open mic time for anyone to tell their own stories is from 3pm-3:30pm.

Sunday November 20

10am High Dunes after Leaf Drop. Come hiking with us this morning and enjoy the panoramic views from atop the high dunes now that the leaves have come down. Meet at the Nature Center for this hour hike. GT

2pm Dear Oh Deer! Visit the Nature Center Auditorium this afternoon as we look into the life of one of the largest mammals in the dunes. We'll learn what they're up to and how we manage our herds. GT

Saturday November 26

10am Winter Wetlands Wander. Take a fresh air morning jaunt along the wetlands this morning. We'll meet at the Nature Center and take a peek at this special habitat and the special animal that lives here year round. BB

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Sunday November 27

10am Feed The Birds Join the Naturalist outside the Nature Center for the daily feeding of our birds.

2pm Holiday Beach Glass Wire-wrapping Workshop. Register for this special workshop that will allow users to learn the art of wire-wrapping and make your own beach glass or stone jewelry during this 1.5 hour session. Space is limited \$5/person workshop fee. Register by calling 219-926-1390.